## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

PRISCILLA JONES, individually and on behalf of her minor child, George Brockman,

DAZARREA ERVINS, individually and on behalf of her minor child, Zavion Ervins,

Case No. 21-366

and

DAVID ERVINS, individually and on behalf of his minor child, Zavion Ervins

Plaintiffs,

v.

SUN PRAIRIE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT,

Defendant.

## **NOTICE OF REMOVAL**

TO: PRISCILLA JONES, individually and on behalf of her minor child, George Brockman DAZARREA ERVINS, individually and on behalf of her minor child, Zavion Ervins, and DAVID ERVINS, individually and on behalf of his minor child, Zavion Ervins c/o The LaMarr Law Firm, PLLC Attn: Attorney B'Ivory LaMarr 5100 Westheimer Road, Suite 200 Houston, TX 77056

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Defendant, the Sun Prairie Area School District, by its undersigned attorneys, petitions for removal of the above-captioned case and state as follows:

1. On April 23, 2021, Plaintiffs, PRISCILLA JONES, individually and on behalf of her minor child, George Brockman; DAZARREA ERVINS, individually and on behalf of her

minor child, Zavion Ervins; and DAVID ERVINS, individually and on behalf of his minor child, Zavion Ervins, filed a civil action designated as Case No. 2021CV000968 in the Circuit Court, Dane County, State of Wisconsin, against the above-named Defendant.

- 2. Plaintiffs served the Defendant with the Complaint in Dane County Case No. 2021CV000968 on May 4, 2021.
- 3. Attorneys Lori M. Lubinsky and Danielle Baudhuin Tierney of the law firm of Axley Brynelson, LLP have been retained to represent the Defendant in Dane County Case No. 2021CV000968.
- 4. In the Complaint now pending in Dane County Case No. 2021CV000968, Plaintiffs assert federal claims pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 2000d (*see* Complaint, ¶¶ 101-106), 42 U.S.C. § 1983 for violations of federal rights guaranteed by the First and Fourteenth Amendments of the United States Constitution (*see*, *e.g.*, Complaint, ¶¶ 107-117), and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act (*see* Complaint, ¶¶ 128-133).
- 5. As a result of the allegations in the Complaint, Dane County Case No. 2021CV000968 is a civil action in which the United States District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin has original jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1331 in that federal question jurisdiction exists because Plaintiffs' Complaint asserts claims under the laws of the United States Constitution.
- 6. Removal of this action is timely in that less than thirty (30) days have passed since the Defendants were served with a copy of the Complaint first asserting a claim subject to removal. Terry28 U.S.C. § 1446(b).
- 7. Attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** is a copy of the Summons and Complaint filed in Dane County Case No. 2021CV000968.

8. By copy of this Notice, Defendants have given notice to Plaintiffs and will promptly file a copy of this Notice of Removal with the Clerk of Court, Dane County, as required by 28 U.S.C. § 1446(d).

WHEREFORE, the Defendant Sun Prairie Area School District respectfully requests that Dane County Case No. 2021CV000968 be removed from the circuit court, Dane County, Wisconsin into the United States District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin for trial and determination.

Dated this 2nd day of June, 2021.

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